aircraft, has been asked to make an independent enquiry and take necessary action in the matter.

Proposal for international airport in Karnataka

3960. PROF. RAM KAPSE: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have cleared the proposal of international airport in Karnataka;

(b) if so, when and where it is proposed to be located: and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) to (c) The proposal for the construction of a new airport of International standards with private participation at a site near Devenhally, Banagalore is under consideration of the Central Government.

Construction of Five Star Hotel in Mumbai

3961. SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:
SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:
SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to give permission to set up a new Five Star Hotel on the land of International Airport Authority of India in Mumbai near Sahar International Airport;

(b) whether Government are aware that a Five Star Hotel is already existing on the land of International Airport Authority of India in Mumbai near Sahar International Airport;

(c) when this earlier hotel was set up and who gave permission to start the hotel on the Government land; and

(d) what action has been taken against the hotel owner to stop the misuse of Government land?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) A plot of land was allotted to M/s. Narang International Hotel, but this allotment was cancelled due to violation of the terms of the agreement. The matter is sub-judice. M/s. Leela Venture has been leased 11000 sq. mtrs. of land on 1-4-1994 for construction of additional 150 rooms and 6107 sq. mtrs. has been allotted to them on 16-3-1995 for construction of a 5-Star Deluxe Hotel at Mumbai Airport.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The Board of erstwhile IAAI approved the construction of 5-Star hotel by M/s. Leela Venture in 1983 and the hotel was commissioned in November, 1986.

(d) A notice was served on M/s. Hotel Leela Venture on 27-9-1996 to vacate the land and a board reading "This land belongs to AAI" has been displayed thereon.

Encroachment of IAAI land by Five Star Hotel Leela Panta, Mumbai

3962. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA':
SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Five Star Hotel Leela Panta in Mumbai has encroached the land of International Airport Authority of India (IAAI);

(b) if so, what action has been taken against the hotel owner in this regard;

(c) whether IAAI is prepared to give up its land for the above said hotel; and

(d) if not, what action has been taken to take back the land from the hotel owner?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) Yes, Sir. An area measuring approximately 6625 sqm. has been encroached upon by M/s. Hotal Leela Venture at Mumbai airport.

(b) to (d) A notice was served on M/s Hotel Leela Venture on 27.9.96 to vacate the land and a notice board reading "This land belongs to AAI" has been displayed thereon. Efforts are continuing to take this area back to AAI.

Observance of punctuality by AI and IA

3963. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of Indian Airlines flights and Air India flights have been delayed, disrupted or cancelled during the last three financial years and till date;

(b) if so, details of each organisation separately during each year;

(c) whether Government propose to take some strict measures ensuring observance of punctuality by these organisations in future; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) The details are given below:—

Year	No. of flights cancelled	No. of flights delayed
INDIAN AIRLINES		
1994-95	3396	22911
1995-96	2538	24364
1996-97	1378	25395
AIR INDIA		
1994-95	1003	160*
1995-96	743	80*
1996-97	868	18*

*Figures ex-Bombay

(c) and (d) Reasons for cancellations/ delays are analysed and necessary remedial measures taken by the two airlines. There has been improvement in the on-time performance of the two airlines in the recent past.

Assistance to senior and handicapped citizens at different airports in Gujarat

3964. SHRI AHMED PATEL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any assistance is available to the senior and handicapped citizens to take care of them at the different airports in Gujarat particularly at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Airport at Ahmedabad; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI C.M. IBRAHIM): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Duty Managers at the airports render assistance wherever necessary. Apart from this, wheel chair, ambulance, stretcher and first-aid boxes are also available. Special toilets for the handicapped have been provided at Vadodara airport.

दुर्घटनाओं में लिप्त निजी विमान कम्पनियों के विमान

3965. **श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय:**
श्री अजीत जोगी:

क्या नागर विमानन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) गत दो वर्षों के दौरान निजी विमान कम्पनियों के विमानों की कितनी दुर्घटनाएं हुईं;

(ख) ऐसी दुर्घटनाओं में कुल कितने व्यक्ति हताहत हुए;

(ग) क्या ये विमान कम्पनियां आम तौर पर सुरक्षा संबंधी मानदंडों का पालन नहीं करती हैं; और

(घ) यदि हां, तो इस संबंध में स्थिति को सुधारने के लिए क्या कार्यवाही की जा रही है?